The Walled Lake Board of Education will cut \$1.3 million from its budget if voters reject a four-mill request in June.

The board approved the budget cut at its meeting last week.

District voters defeated a four-mill re-

District voters acreated a four-mul re-quest last month.

Walled Lake school district residents, including those living in the west section of West Bloomfield and northwestern Farmington Hills, are being asked to approve a four-mill levy in the June 11 election so the district won't be forced to implement proposed cuts.

Board members told an audience of par-ents and teachers they understood concern over the proposed cuts, especially the re-duction in the elementary reading support program, but the cuts followed the board's original direction to the administration.

In drafting the cuts, the administration looked to areas which could be trimmed rather than totally eliminating certain programs, school officials said.

In response to questions about why academic programs and positions were being cut while athletic programs remained in the budget, the audience was told the deci-

sion was based on previous experiences in the district.

"We cut athletics for one year and we found that was devastating, too," said Board President Betty Campion.

"Having been through that particular experience, we asked for cuts across the board. We did not want to hit athleties—devastate those programs. But that does not mean we take the cuts we are making lightly. We age not," she added.

BOARD MEMBERS indicated that while they may not be comfortable with the proposed cuts, a decision about them had to be made.

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It was explained that any person could devise a list of cuts which they preferred, but it would be unlikely that that person could get agreement from others on the best areas to cut.

In response to complaints concerning the slashing of eight of 14 reading teacher aides from the reading support program, the officials explained the program would not affect the basic reading training in the schools.

schools.

But parents maintained the support program had nearly become an integral part of the reading program. The cuts would

tion that the program can continue with these cuts," Lasher said.

"Yet teachers have told us the program will fail. We could go on and hear more pros and cons all night I suppose. But while in general I'm opposed to this list of cuts, we have an obligation to come out of here with a list of cuts."

A parent who identified herself as a mil-lage worker told the board she was fru-trated by the fact that though the athletic program will face some cuts, those sup-porters have not appeared before the board and expressed the concern other parents have.

"The athletic boosters have had equal opportunity to appear before you," she said, "but it doesn't appear they are as interested and caring as the parents of elementary students who have appeared."

"The basic problem before was the (pro-posed) parking was adjacent to the resi-dents. Now, the parking is in the center," said Singelyn. He has negotiated the new proposal "with a couple board members who said they would go along with it."

Leib warned neighbors will still object. "They'll say how is it different? It's just a chain link fence."

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eliminate a program for the gifted stu-dents at the other end of the spectrum, parents told the board.

Trustee Steve Lasher told the group he has been particularly concerned with the cuts to the reading support program.
"We have heard from the administra-

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## Public hearing slated on parking ing area if it can be rezoned. West Bloomfield Hills and Doherty Estates homeowners turned out at previous hearings objecting to noise and bright lights from cars going to and from the restaurant at night.

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Since so many subdivision neighbors of
Bloomfield Charley's restaurant opposed
the first plan for the restaurant's parking
expansion, the West Bloomfield Township
Board rejected the plan.
But township planning commissioners
arent's sure the homeowners will like the
revised proposal either.
The restaurant, on Maple near Orchard
Lake Road, will set a second nublic hear-

Lake Road, will get a second public hear-ing June 26 on rezoning Dr. Robert Singe-lyn's adjacent property from office to narking 1

arking.i The first petition was turned down on a 2 vote. Only Supervisor John Doherty Authorized Dealer of

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and Trustee Raymond Holland, who also serves on the planning commission, voted for the first plan in March.

The board sent the problem back to the planning commission for reconsideration. "It's budicrous. I don't understand why the board reversed us. We didn't get a heck of a lot of direction from the board" said Commission Chairman Jeffrey Leib. Under the new proposal, Singelyn would keep his own office building parking in the rear abutting single family homes, but lock it after hours.

This would limit parking to the center area of his lot.

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